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Subject: Request for Amendment to Reclamation Plan Approval F20169958 & Plan of Operations Approval F20209958 to amend Environmental Audit Conditions

Dear Mr. Bendrick:

On September 1, 2020, the Division of Mining, Land, and Water (DMLW) received correspondence from Teck Alaska Inc., Red Dog Operations (Teck) requesting approval to amend the *Red Dog Mine Reclamation Plan Approval (RPA F20169958)* and *Plan of Operations Approval (POOA F20209958)*. Teck is requesting an amendment to the Environmental Audit Approval Condition to allow for the field work to be conducted in after the snow melts in 2021. Teck is requesting this amendment due to the health and safety concerns with getting the auditors on site during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The DMLW Mining section has reviewed the proposed amendment and has no objection. The requested amendment to the Environmental Audit Conditions in the RPA and POOA as proposed is hereby approved as *Red Dog Mine Reclamation Plan Amendment Approval F20169958.04 (RPA)* and *Plan of Operations Amendment Approval F20209958.01 (POOA)*. Nothing in this decision changes any of the other conditions of the original Reclamation Plan or Plan or Operations.

Please be advised that this approval does not eliminate the potential need for authorization of your activity from other Federal, State, or local divisions or agencies.

A person affected by this decision may appeal it, in accordance with 11 AAC 02. Any appeal must be received within 20 calendar days after the date of "issuance" of this decision, as defined in 11 AAC 02.040(c) and (d) and may be mailed or delivered to the Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; faxed to 1-907-269-8918, or sent

by electronic mail to dnr.appeals@alaska.gov. Under 11 AAC 02.030, appeals and requests for reconsideration filed under 11 AAC 02 must be accompanied by the fee established in 11 AAC 05.160(d)(1)(F), which has been set at \$200 under the provisions of 11 AAC 05.160 (a) and (b).

This decision takes effect immediately. If no appeal is filed by the appeal deadline, this decision becomes a final administrative order and decision of the department on the 31st calendar day after issuance. An eligible person must first appeal this decision in accordance with 11 AAC 02 before appealing this decision to Superior Court. A copy of 11 AAC 02 may be obtained from any regional information office of the Department of Natural Resources.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Brent Martellaro at 907-451-2788

Sincerely,

Steve Buckley

Mining Section Chief

Enclosure: Copy of Teck August 31, 2020 amendment request

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